

Allocation of 2020 Census Population for Database and Reporting

The staff of the Louisiana Legislature developed short names for the racial and ethnic population and voting age population categories reported in the P.L. 94-171 data for standard reports. The short names for the various population categories are “Tot Pop”; “Tot White”; “Tot Black”; “Tot Asian”; “Tot American Indian”; “Tot Other”; “Tot Hispanic”; “VAP Total”; “VAP White”; “VAP Black”; “VAP Asian”; “VAP American Indian”; “VAP Other”; and “VAP Hispanic”.

Consistent with prior redistricting cycles, the Louisiana Legislature has allocated the population and voting age population from the 2020 Census P.L. 94-171 data as follows:

“Tot White”: Includes all persons who responded to the 2020 Census as being single race white.

“Tot Black”: Includes all persons who responded to the 2020 Census as being single race Black or African American and all persons who had multiple-race responses of which Black or African American was one of the responses listed.

“Tot Asian”: Includes all persons who responded to the 2020 Census as being single race Asian and all persons who had multiple-race responses of which Asian was one of the races listed. However, multiple-race responses of which Asian was one of the responses listed and Black or African American was one of the responses listed were allocated to the “Tot Black” category.

“Tot American Indian”: Includes all persons who responded to the 2020 Census as being single race American Indian or Alaska Native and all persons who had multiple-race responses of which American Indian or Alaska Native was one of the responses listed. However, any multiple-race responses of which American Indian or Alaska Native was one of the responses listed and Black or African American or Asian was a response listed were allocated to the “Tot Black” or “Tot Asian” category as outlined above.

“Tot Other”: Includes all persons who responded to the 2020 Census as being single race Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander or some other race alone and other responses not attributed to another category as outlined above.

The categories of “Tot White” + “Tot Black” + “Tot Asian” + “Tot American Indian” + “Tot Other” equals the total population or **“Tot Pop”** of the area.

“Tot Hispanic”: Includes all persons who responded being of Hispanic or Latino origin.

The voting age population (**VAP**) was allocated in the same manner.